1.   An Internet-based check ordering system, including:

a client computer system;

an Internet-based server having a check order entry user interface remote from and in operable communication with said client computer system, wherein said Internet-based server

5   includes software for enabling input at said interface of client data, client check number data, client bank transit number data, client bank account data , and client bank routing data at said check order user interface and has means for transmitting said bank client bank transit number data, said client bank account data, and said client bank routing data in an encrypted manner;

a bank transit number computer system remote from and in operable communication with

10   the Internet-based server computer system having software for receiving at least said client bank transit number data, said client bank account data, and said client bank routing data from said Internet-based server and de-encrypting said client bank transit number data, said client bank account data, and said client bank routing data, and comparing at least said client bank transit number data with a data listing corresponding to transit number data for a plurality of banks

15   within a database of said bank transit number computer system to verify that said client bank transit number corresponds to bank transit data in said database, and transmits to said Internet-based server verified check print data which includes said client bank transit number data, said client bank account data, and said client bank routing data and a predetermined printing orientation; and

20   a printing station in operable communication with said Internet-based server computer system to print checks bearing said data thereon.

2.   The Internet-based check ordering system of claim 1, wherein software on said Internet-

based server includes means for billing a client at said user interface using said system.

3.   The Internet-based check ordering system of claim 1, wherein said Internet-based server is operably associated with a database which contains and stores said client data, said client check number data, said client bank transit number data, said client bank account data and said client

5   bank routing data.

4.   The Internet-based check ordering system of claim 3, wherein said Internet-based server is further equipped to associate said received verified check information data from said bank transit number computer system with said client data, said client check number data, said client bank transit number data, said client bank account data and said client bank routing data.

10   5.   The Internet-based check ordering system of claim 3, wherein said printing station includes a computer which is operably connected to said Internet-based server in a manner to receive said client data, said client check number data, said client bank transit number data, said client bank account data, said client bank routing data and said verified check print data in an encrypted form and de-encrypts said data to enable printing of said checks.

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